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Re: Response to the Office Action mailed on 10/05/2004

Application No.: 10/717,532

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Inventor: Jaeger, Shannon

Examiner: Thissell, Jennifer I.

Art Unit: 3635

Madam:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004. Applicant notes that a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is being filed concurrently herewith.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted:

In the claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (currently amended):

1. A tile comprising a first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth strips, all formed from curved plywood and comprising a top surface and a bottom surface;

wherein each of the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth strips comprises: